## **RESOLUTION 2020-08**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INVERNESS, FLORIDA ENCOURAGING INDIVIDUALS TO WEAR FACE COVERINGS IN CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES AND MATTER RELATED TO COVID-19 PANDEMIC.

WHEREAS, the Novel Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) is a global pandemic that spreads rapidly from person to person and may result in serious illness or death; AND

WHEREAS, on March 9, 2020, Governor Ron DeSantis issued Executive Order Number 20-52, declaring a State of Florida Public Health Emergency associated with COVID-19 as a threat to Florida residents; AND

WHEREAS, on April 1, 2020, Mayor Bob Plaisted declared a State of Emergency for the City of Inverness resulting from the outbreak of COVID-19; AND

WHEREAS, the City of Inverness City Council finds it vitally important that individuals work together to decrease the widespread proliferation of COVID-19 among citizens of the City; AND

WHEREAS, in order to protect, preserve, and promote the general health, safety and welfare of the community, the City is taking steps to try and protect the citizens and employees of the City from increased risk of exposure; AND

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the State of Florida Department of Health advise and encourage the use of face coverings to slow the spread of COVID-19.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Inverness, due to the real and present concern for the spread of COVID-19, and with full faith in the goodwill and public spirit of all City of Inverness citizens, that Council supports the guidance of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and stands with the Governor and public health officials to encourage face coverings and social distancing for widespread use throughout the City in keeping with State guidelines as preventative measures that will reduce risk to one's self or to fellow citizens.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 2/ st

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**ATTEST** 

Susan Jackson, City Clerk

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Jacquie Hepfer, Council President